Grand opening held for new Auto **Skills Center in Schweinfurt**

A July grand opening ceremony was recently held for the new Auto Skills Center on Conn Barracks in Schweinfurt. Lt. Col. Jesse Munoz from Europe District presented a key plaque to Lt. Col. Payton, Commander of the 280th Base Support Battalion (BSB) during the ceremony, and assisted with the ribbon cutting.

The new center houses eight general repair areas, five hydraulic lifts, one wash and steam bay, one paint

booth, a storage room, a tool and mechanical room and an office.

The Bauwens contracting firm worked on the project. Michael Schiffer from the Bauamt was the project manager and Ken Maas provided translation services. Other individuals who were instrumental to the project include Nate Rinehart and Vahn Whitesides from the Community and Family Support Center, Padget Cleveland and Larry Price from the non-appropriated fund division, Robin Fisher from the 280th BSB Directorate of Public Works, and Lt. Col. Payton, Commander of the 280th BSB.

Europe District employees who worked on the project include Project Engineer Ella Cassity, Project Manager Randy Holman, and Resident Engineer Reed McDowell.



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(Photos by Randy Holman)

Lt. Col. Payton, Commander of the 280th Base Support Battalion (pictured left) and Lt. Col. Jesse Munoz from Europe District, cut the ribbon to the new Auto Skills Center in Schweinfurt.

